

Waterways Commission Minutes March 6th at Scituate Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:17 by the Chair

In attendance: Dick Eckhouse, chairman. Pete Toppan, Dave Glancy, Keith Walo, Mark Patterson, Fran McMillen, Don Hourihan, Brian Cronin, Rick Murray BOS, Kathleen Cerruti, Tom Anderson and Ethan Maass

February 6th minutes Action postponed until the next meeting

Old Business:

Marina's presented by the Harbor Master

Bills are out for the 2013 season

Income is arriving

Capital plan has been presented to the Selectmen and awaits action

SMP video surveillance and piling support system are under consideration

Harborwalk has been endorsed by the CPC

Is under consideration by the Selectmen as a mixed use trail work/discussion is ongoing

Dredging a request for proposal for potential dredging is in the works

We have received permission to expand our existing permits to encompass other areas

Mooring Regulations the suggestions made by the mooring regs subcommittee are to be sent to all Waterways Commission members for all to comment/contribute their thoughts. There was wide ranging discussion based on the existing regulation; **no votes or action taken** since not everyone has seen the subcommittee report. Mr. Murray excused himself from the meeting while item #4 within the regulations was discussed. Points made for consideration were: moorings not inspected will be subject to fines; mooring inspection paperwork must be filed within 7 days of the inspection; mooring rental, now a subject of confusion needs to be clarified. Keith Walo will reach out to surrounding towns to see what their rental policies are, and give us an update at the next meeting.

New Business:

Scituate Boat Show the Harbormaster says planning is going forward. The special permit request has been made and is circulating through the appropriate local departments. Those include Police, Fire, Board of Health and the like. The event has excited many merchants and people in town. The scope is still being developed. More detail will come forward at the next meeting.

Town Marina Recycling was addressed by Kathleen Rose Cerruti and Mark Patterson. The existing EOMS company proposal has been declared invalid. The scope was incorrect, the values were not correct and in general Mark and Kathleen felt that the EOMS proposal was not up to what the Town had expected. Kathleen will reach out to three or four other potential vendors, working with Mark to get the details correct. This will be an agenda item for future meetings.

Discussion items:

Regridding no new input at this time

Canoe and kayak storage- there are 9 spaces now, with potential for expansion. There was discussion about the Town renting kayaks or boards- this discouraged by Pete Toppan as an unneeded insurance liability for the town. This led to discussion of perhaps finding a “company” who would run a rental business at the SMP. This in turn led to the idea of generating a listing of Water Dependant Industries for use by many boards in developing plans for the Harbor.

Rinse off station still under investigation. Don Hourihan suggested we simply use a hose and nozzle. There will be continuing discussion of the matter.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.